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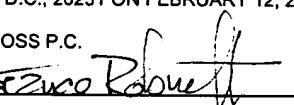
In Re the Application of:) Group Art Unit: 1711
SINCLAIR et al.)
Serial No.: 09/244,324) Examiner: Hampton-Hightower, P.
Filed: February 3, 1999)
Atty. File No.: 4070-46-1-1-1)
For: "DEGRADATION CONTROL OF)
ENVIRONMENTALLY DEGRADABLE)
DISPOSABLE MATERIALS")
Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

REQUEST FOR EXTENSION
OF TIME

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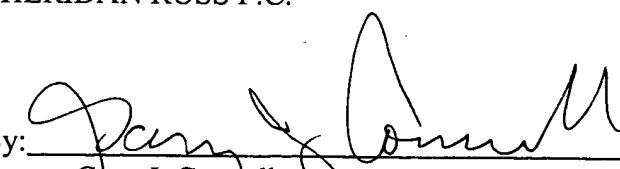
Dear Sir:

Applicants, through their attorneys, respectfully petition for an extension of time under 37 CFR § 1.136(a) of two (2) months to respond to the Office Action mailed on September 11, 2000, with respect to the above-identified application, thereby extending the period for response from December 11, 2000, to February 11, 2001.

Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$390.00 as payment of the extension fee. Please credit any overpayment or debit any underpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-1970.

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